(d) This decision has not been taken. The value of 1200 lines initial phase is approx. Rs. 7 crores FOB.

Public telephones in Bombay

2887. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of public telephones in Bombay;

(b) whether it is adequate considering the population and compared to other cities in the world;

(c) what is the plan for providing additional public telephones; and

(d) whether priority would be given for the installation of public telephones rather than private telephones?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) There are 6,455 public telephones in Bombay.

(b) and (c) Although it is not considered adequate, 580 and 598 additional public telephones have been planned for 1988-89 and 1989-90 respectively.

(d) Yes, Sir.

Creation of refining capacity for imported crude

2888. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that different views by experts have been expressed regarding creation of refining capacity for imported crude or importing the finished products in view of falling international finished product prices and cost effectiveness of refineries; and

(b) if so, what are the Government's views on the subject?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) The cost effectiveness of creation of indigenous refining capacity on imported crude vis-a-vis import of products would depend upon various factors such as crude/product price differential, transportation logistics and cost, degree of self sufficiency required etc. A working group constituted by the Government to look into the refining needs of the country will keep all these factors in view in preparing their report.

Action against Bharat Prakashan Limited

2889. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any complaints of non-compliance with the provisions of Company Law in respect of the Bharat Prakashan Limited, publishers of the "Organiser" weekly have come to the notice of Government; and

(b) if so, what are the details of action proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No such complaint appears to have been received by the Registrar of Companies, New Delhi and the headquarter of the Department of Company Affairs.

(b) Does not arise.

Combined cycle gas based power station in Gujarat

2890. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gujarat Government has accorded its approval for the setting up of new combined cycle gas based power station in Ahmedabad;

(b) if so, whether the ONGC has agreed to supply the requisite gas for the unit;